

IN RECOGNITION OF ZINGERMAN'S  
COMMUNITY OF BUSINESS**HON. DEBBIE DINGELL**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 14, 2016*

Mrs. DINGELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate the Zingerman's Community of Businesses on receiving the Ann Arbor Jewish Family Services Bernstein Award. Zingerman's is an Ann Arbor institution which has become known around the world. It is an honor and privilege to recognize this renowned, successful and socially conscious business and to share with my colleagues not only the great work they have done for the Washtenaw County community and their thousands of visitors from across the country every year, but to highlight their leadership as well.

The Jewish Family Services Bernstein Award is given out each year to individuals or businesses who display exceptional local leadership in the Washtenaw County community. Zingerman's Community of Businesses are part of the fabric of the Ann Arbor area and have grown into a recognizable international name. Since its creation in 1982 by Paul Saginaw and Ari Weinzwieg, Zingerman's has delivered quality food products to the people of Ann Arbor and to their thousands of patrons every year from around the world. Not only have they delivered delicious, quality products through their deli, creamery, coffee company, bakehouse, and candy factory, but they have stayed true to sourcing fresh and local ingredients. Zingerman's operates Cornman farms to produce pesticide free vegetables and free range livestock for all of their restaurants.

Not enough to provide great baked goods to their customers, they built a teaching kitchen to help instruct home bakers of all skill levels from those who have never broken an egg to the most accomplished who want to learn more. Most unique about Zingerman's is its approach to employees and the business. Since their beginning, they have always paid wages above the federal minimum wage and offered company-subsidized health care and paid time off. They care about their employees and communities. They have taken their unique culture and are teaching the "Zingerman's experience" to forward thinking organizations around the world, helping clients make meaningful bottom line enhancing changes in their own organizations.

Some have observed that Zingerman's is better known outside of Ann Arbor than in its community. For those that live in Washtenaw County, Zingerman's is an iconic location to buy fresh food and produce or get a great meal, but they are also known for being heavily involved in the community. To this day, there are people in Washtenaw County that struggle to afford food and many go hungry. The Zingerman's family has been dedicated to fighting hunger since 1988.

They have helped to create the Food Gatherers nonprofit food rescue program and food bank and annually the Zingerman's Community of Businesses contributes as a major corporate contributor. They also teach seminars on how to manage and develop a business so that young entrepreneurs across the country can learn from their success. This type of engagement has set a powerful example to other businesses in our area, showing that you can

be successful and do the right thing, every day. Zingerman's goal in 2020 is to leave the world better than it was when they came here.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me today to recognize Zingerman's Community of Businesses and owners Paul Saginaw and Ari Weinzwieg on receiving the Jewish Family Services Bernstein Award, for their enormous contributions to our region, and for continued success in all of their ventures.

HONORING THE CAREER OF JUDGE  
MARCUS D. GORDON**HON. TRENT KELLY**

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 14, 2016*

Mr. KELLY of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, Marcus D. Gordon was born on October 22, 1931, in Union, Mississippi. In 1950, he graduated from Union High School and attended East Central Community College on a football and basketball scholarship. In January 1951, he enlisted in the United States Air Force and served in the Korean War. After four years of service, he returned to Mississippi and re-enrolled in East Central Community College. While attending East Central Community College, Judge Gordon continued to play on the football and basketball teams and received All-State honors.

Judge Gordon then attended the University of Mississippi and earned a bachelor's degree in business administration and his law degree from the University of Mississippi School of Law. He was admitted to the Mississippi bar, and returned home to open a private law practice with his brother, Rex Gordon, Sr. In 1971, he was elected to be the District Attorney for the Eighth Circuit Court Judicial District. He was later appointed by Governor Cliff Finch as Circuit Court Judge for the Eighth Circuit Court Judicial District. Judge Gordon served as Circuit Court Judge until 1987.

After briefly returning to a private law firm, he was elected in 1990 to serve again as Circuit Court Judge. He served in that position until March 4, 2016, having served as a Circuit Court Judge for 38 years. During his tenure, Judge Gordon maintained a distinguished record of judicial integrity, character, service, and excellence. He was known for his fairness and high ethical standards, but also for his quick wit and astuteness when the occasion warranted a lighter moment.

Most importantly, Judge Gordon is a proud husband, father, and grandfather. He has been married to his wife, Mrs. Polly Gordon, for 60 years and together they have four children and two grandchildren. I would like to thank Judge Gordon for his dedicated service to our state and his contributions to improving the judicial system.

IN CELEBRATION OF THE 100TH  
BIRTHDAY OF MRS. ANGELINE A.  
"ANGIE" KOPKA**HON. ANN M. KUSTER**

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 14, 2016*

Ms. KUSTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in celebration of one of my most distinguished

and active constituents, Mrs. Angeline A. "Angie" Kopka, on her 100th birthday; she is a beloved member of the Nashua community that I am proud to represent in Congress. We commemorate Angie's birthday inspiration as she is a true example of what has made the Granite State such a strong and vibrant place.

Angie is a former member of the New Hampshire House of Representatives, serving her state from 2002 until 2010. In 2012, she won re-election and returned to the State House as the oldest lawmaker in the United States, a true indicator of her dedication to public service. In addition, Angie is the founder of Kopka Real Estate, based in Nashua, New Hampshire. As a real estate agent, she served as the president of the National Women's Council of Realtors and the New Hampshire Association of Realtors. In 1991, she won the National Association of Realtors Distinguished Service Award. Angie not only had a successful career, but has enjoyed a rich personal life. She was married to her lifelong partner, John Kopka, Jr. Together, they raised two children, seven grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, it is a pleasure to recognize the 100th birthday of one of New Hampshire's most engaged citizens, Mrs. Angeline A. "Angie" Kopka. I ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues join me in celebrating this proud milestone in her remarkable life.

## PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. CHRIS VAN HOLLEN**

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 14, 2016*

Mr. VAN HOLLEN. Mr. Speaker, on April 13, 2016, I was unavoidably detained and missed four votes. Had I been present, I would have voted "no" on Roll Call No. 141, "no" on Roll Call No. 142, "no" on Roll Call No. 143, and "no" on Roll Call No. 144.

## PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. PETER A. DeFAZIO**

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 14, 2016*

Mr. DeFAZIO. Mr. Speaker, I was absent on April 12, 2016 and missed the following votes. Had I been present I would have voted:

On Roll Call Vote 139, On Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass, as Amended, H.R. 1567, the Global Food Security Act of 2016, I would have voted Yes.

On Roll Call Vote 140, On Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass, as Amended, H.R. 4676, the Preventing Crimes Against Veterans Act of 2016, I would have voted Yes.

UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON'S CAMERON  
BURRELL SETS NCAA  
RECORD**HON. PETE OLSON**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, April 14, 2016*

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Cameron Burrell of Houston,